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## The Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce Presents State of the City 2004

"We must and will continue to work to improve our opportunities to attract ready investors while we offer the advantages and diversity of this great Central Valley city."

Mayor Gary Podesto, 2003 State of the City Address

DECEMBER 2003 - Due to popular demand and the warm welcome of the Port Director and Commissioner, State of the City 2004 will once again be held at the Port of Stockton.

Join the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, February 25th for an informative annual update on the progress of the great city of Stockton. Browse through the exhibit area showcasing organizations which make valuable contributions to our city before enjoying lunch catered by the ever popular Outback Steakhouse. Lunch is followed by inspiring presentations. The exhibit area opens at 10:30 AM with lunch at noon. This year's program will be bittersweet; it will be the last State of the City that Gary Podesto will deliver as Mayor of Stockton.

The theme for this year's State of the City is "Partnership." As we grow in stature as a city, the importance of partnering with all segments of the community has been the driving force behind the remarkable changes in Stockton. From politicians crossing over the party line to accomplish important legislation to citizens having input on local issues, partnership has been the key ingredient in making a smooth transition into future projects and a community we're proud of calling home.

For more information about State of the City, call Renna Beinoris at 547-2764 or e-mail to renna@stocktonchamber.org.

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